In the Matter of  Michael Williams for Congress and Steven R. Hicks in his official capacity as treasurer	) ) RAD REFERRAL 12L-27 ) )	CELA	2013 APR     PM 4: 4	FEDERAL ELECTIO
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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

- I, Shawn Woodhead Werth, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on April 09, 2013, the Commission took the following actions in the above-captioned matter:
  - 1. Failed by a vote of 2-3 to:
    - a. Find reason to believe that Michael Williams for Congress and Steven R. Hicks in his official capacity as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f).
    - b. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated November 14, 2012.
    - c. Enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with Michael Williams for Congress and Steven R. Hicks in his official capacity as treasurer
    - d. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Walther and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Hunter, McGahn II, and Petersen dissented.

2. Decided by a vote of 4-1 to:

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- a. Open a MUR.
- b. Find reason to believe that Michael Williams for Congress and Steven R. Hicks in his official capacity as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f).

c. Enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with Michael Williams for Congress and Steven R. Hicks in his official capacity as treasurer.

d.

e. Approve the appropriate letters subject to the edits previously circulated via email by Chair Weintraub's office.

Commissioners Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Walther dissented.

Attest:

April 11, 2013

Date

Shawn Woodhead Werth

Secretary and Clerk of the Commission